











## Main Streeters Chalk Up A Success

By Mike Anthony

A combined group, nearing three hundred was treated to an excellent production of "Six Rms Riv. Vue" at Kirtland Community College on November 22nd and 23rd as performed by the Roscommon based Main Street Players.

The selection of "Six Rms Riv. Vue," one of Neil Simon's most popular works, was enhanced by the experienced casting of parts by Mary Liz McNamara, and the talent from which he had to draw. The play was carried primarily by the two leads, Margaret DeSantis and John Bosserman, while being interspersed with comedic characterizations by Mike Dosch, Dean Darling, and an especially notable performance by June Karjalainen of Roscommon.

Although the audience was far from the number that the auditorium is capable of seating, they were "very responsive and a joy to perform before," remarked Margaret DeSantis after Sunday night's finale.

## Laurent-Boyle Wed In Traverse



Cindy Lee Laurent, of Traverse City, became the bride of Edward Patrick Boyle, Lt. JG, U.S. Coast Guard, of Arlington, Virginia, on Sunday, October 19, at 7:00 p.m., at the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, in Traverse City. Elder Dale Christopfer performed the ceremony. Cindy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Laurent of Traverse City, and the grand-daughter of Mrs. Matilda Hunter of Grayling. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth D. Boyle of San Luis Obispo, California.

The bride wore a gown of quiana and silk Venise lace fashioned with long fitted sleeves, a narrow ring collar, inset waist, A-line skirt and attached train. A Venise lace flower tiara cloche secured the fingertip illusion veil. She carried a bouquet of but daisies,

tangerine carnations and tangerine sweetheart roses.

Maid of honor was Chris Mericle of Traverse City. Her gown was an A-line tie-back in a rust knit designed with an ivory bodice, and bishop sleeves with lace ruffled cuff. Bridesmaids were Sue Stripling of Jacksonville, Florida; Amy Hurchick, of Kingsley, and Debby Powell of Traverse City. Their gowns were identical to the maid of honors. They carried a single tangerine carnation with baby's breath and ivy streamers. Best man was Kerry Boyie of San Luis Obispo, Cal., brother of the groom. Groomsman were Brian Boyie, of San Luis Obispo, the groom's brother; Greg Laurent, of Traverse City, the bride's brother; and Bob Kotarik of Traverse City.

Organist was Mrs. Lawrence Pack of Lake Ann, Mrs. Dale Christopher sang "We've Only Just Begun" and "The Wedding Song." The candle-light wedding was held against a background of tangerine carnations and fall-colored daisy mums.

The bride's mother wore a floor-length gown with a V-neckline, and butterfly sleeves in fall colors. Her corsage was white carnations and baby sweetheart yellow roses.

The groom's mother wore a floor-length polyester print of ming blue and silver. Her corsage was also white carnations and baby sweetheart yellow roses.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at Shields in Traverse City.

Out-of-town guests were from Manistee Lake, Grayling, Cadillac, Wayland, California, Florida and Illinois.

The newlyweds spent their honeymoon at the Matilda Hunter cabin on the AuSable and are now making their home at 48 Bedford St., Arlington, Va.

The bride graduated from Traverse City Senior High School and the groom graduated from the United States Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn.

The rehearsal dinner was given by the groom's parents at the Holiday Inn in Traverse City.

## Bits O' Talk

by Fay Bovee

Nancy Rosenberg of Ann Arbor and Holly Knibbs of MSU spent the Thanksgiving weekend with their mother, Mrs. Leonard Knibbs.

Mr. and Mrs. William Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. George Stencil and Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Will Joseph of Trenton, and Dick Joseph of the U of M enjoyed Thanksgiving Day with their mother and grandmother, Mrs. L. W. Huntington of Eaton Rapids. The Bill Josephs and Dick Joseph returned to Grayling with their parents for the rest of the weekend.

Guests for Thanksgiving at the Fraser Dean home were her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Benson and two children of Grosse Ile., and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCarthy.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Rauss and five children of Ann Arbor were holiday weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Huss and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Thompson and children, Bridget and Casey, spent Thanksgiving weekend visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sandy Thompson and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Bohmeyer.

## ALMANACK

Richard Milliman



## Swainson exhibits class

It is sad to watch the drama unfold in the recent and continuing problems of John B. Swainson.

War hero, state senator, governor, circuit court judge, supreme court justice, possible United States senator — that's the trail of John Swainson through recent Michigan history.

He did the right thing by resigning from the state supreme court in light of his conviction on a perjury charge. Through the appellate process, there may be even further developments in the Swainson saga. As Swainson claims, he may be vindicated eventually.

But the fact remains that a jury found Judge Swainson guilty of committing a felony — lying under oath in the judicial process.

Regardless of how the case came about, the facts compromised Swainson's effectiveness as a judge. In addition, the law as Swainson read it decreed that he could not continue to hold his judicial seat.

So he gave it up, without a protracted struggle — and, in my view, with just a touch of class which was especially welcome under the circumstances.

Said Swainson, of his decision to resign:

"Basically, in my estimation, this is the right thing to do. I think we have been exposed, not only in this state but in this country, to the spectacle of high officials hanging on, causing embarrassment to their friends and other public officials. I am not prepared to do so."

Judge Swainson made no specific references but the situation came immediately to mind of an enfeebled Justice William O. Douglas, who doggedly grasped his seat on the United States Supreme Court when his physical ability to continue to serve became highly questionable to many citizens.

Eventually Justice Douglas succumbed to the inevitable and retired.

While Justice Swainson may not have been referring to Justice Douglas specifically, the comparison is inescapable.

Between the two, Justice Swainson handed himself with considerable more grace and class than did Justice Douglas.

To return a moment to Judge Swainson's resignation comments:

"I think perhaps by submitting my resignation, that I've made a more emphatic statement than any rule of law speech ever given on Law Day," continued Swainson.

"I'm under law. I will obey the law." And he concluded: I'm absolutely confident I'll be vindicated because I'm innocent."

Without a question, Swainson's action did indeed speak louder than the words of any speech.

Some Swainson supporters find the circumstances of his conviction fit subject for public criticism. Again, it is a touch of class that Judge Swainson himself has not joined such chorus.

For example, one public figure, after citing Swainson's long record of service to various publics, complains that it is all "written off by a convicted burglar."

That's not unusual, he continues, "in the wake of Watergate, because the public expects the worst and is willing to convict anybody in public office."

This sentiment, of course, is an overstatement. Public officials live in a goldfish bowl — and should. That's part of the Swainson syndrome.

It is also well to remember that it was Swainson's testimony before a grand jury, and not the direct charges of the "convicted burglar," which caused Judge Swainson's travail.

Is John Swainson guilty? As of right now, a jury has ruled he is guilty, and so he is.

If Swainson is innocent, as he says he is, then we all hope he will be vindicated, as he expects to be.

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Jim Fitzgerald



## The dangerous suburbs

People keep saying it isn't safe to walk in downtown Detroit after dark. Mayor Coleman Young insists this is a bad rap. On radio the other noon he said it is safer walking in Detroit than in some of its fancy suburbs.

I quoted Young to my wife as we sat at our favorite piano bar in downtown Detroit at midnight. Our hotel was several blocks away. "We can walk back," I said. "It's probably safer in the streets than in this bar. Jack Kelley might come in here and slug me for weighing 90 pounds less than he weighs."

In case you don't read the crime news, Kelley is the Detroit councilman who thinks he is Pat O'Brien in a 1935 movie. He thinks it's romantic for husky Irishmen to sing about shillelaghs and get into saloon fights. He probably drinks boiler-makers and pats the waitresses' fanny. The voters can't really get angry at the darlin' because he always has some blarney for the old women and he never misses church on St. Pat's Day, especially if the TV cameras are there.

The other day Kelley looked into a TV camera and said there were 2,200 bars in Detroit and he tries to make all of them at least once a month. So it did seem safer out on the street, even in downtown Detroit at 1 a.m. My wife agreed with typical graciousness. "One dumb Irishman is plenty," she said.

It was lonely out there. We recently walked in downtown Toronto at 3 a.m. and had to proceed single file because of the crowds. In after-dark Detroit, a footstep echoes and three isn't a crowd, it's a convention. The wide, bare streets looked like 2 days after Dr. Strangelove pushed the button. Every doorway was a mugger's cave.

"Where's Mayor Young?" my wife asked.

One car did go by. In fact, it cooied friendly-like to the curb and a black man stuck his head out to send greetings to the 2 lone walkers. "Bleep you, you mother-bleepers," he said.

"I'm glad Mother isn't here," I said. Nothing worse happened and we walked and lived to spend another night in the warm arms of Howard Johnson, double-boiled. But my wife said Mayor Young was nuts, she'd rather do her night walking in Grosse Pointe.

However, on TV news the next night there was a father complaining about what happened to his young son as he played on the sidewalk in Bloomfield Hills, one of Detroit's wealthiest suburbs.

A neighbor called the little boy a nigger and threatened to throw him into a ditch. He told the boy niggers had no business living in that white neighborhood and should get out before they got hurt. And this was in the daylight. After dark, someone slipped vile notes into the black family's mailbox, threatening violence if the niggers didn't move back where they belonged.

You might say the moral is that danger comes in all colors and a man should watch out wherever he is walking. But that's stuffed-shirt philosophy and it leaves me wanting.

He makes my gut ache, but I can understand why a ghetto black would call me a bleeping mother-bleeper. His is a blanket reaction to the bigoted cruds who keep him located out of the Grosse Pointes. But I could never understand how that white jerk could hassle a little kid, whatever color.

Hanging from a rope is too good for him. He should be sentenced to 20 years hanging around saloons with Councilman Kelley.

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## "Main Stream Musing"

Black is Beautiful

(By Jaymee Seidel)

Ralph Nader's recent praise of the Bank of North Dakota brought some beautiful memories of life in that much-misunderstood state.

When we first chose to live there, the eyebrows raised in unison among the Hoosier relatives. Every time we visited Indiana, there was the unspoken question in the air: "What on earth do they see in North Dakota?"

How could we explain? It's not what you see in North Dakota, but how far away you can see it. We used to walk three blocks to the end of our street and watch the sun set over Bismarck, 450 miles west. Nothing but nothingness stood between us and all that molten sun, pouring its red glow along an unbroken horizon. In fact, some of the state's finest qualities are negatives, but what's so bad about that? As a newsman once put it, "NO smog, NO crowds, NO traffic, NO riots, NO pollution, North Dakota!"

The first year we lived there, I found it comforting to refer often to a picture of Teddy Roosevelt that I kept taped inside a kitchen cupboard door. Under it was a quotation: "Were it not for what I learned during those years in North Dakota, I would never in this world have been President." What he meant by this is still being debated. Some seem to feel that he meant after life in the Badlands, even Washington seemed an improvement.

The natives fall over each

## Lovells News

by Ruth Caldwell

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Schmidt and daughter, Eileen, of K.P. Lake spent the Thanksgiving week visiting Corpsman Robert and Genevieve Shepherd and daughter, Stacie, in South Carolina. Their son, Bob, joined them there for a couple of days from Mississippi.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnson over the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Radunzel and family of Greenville, Mrs. Edna Radunzel of Reed City, Mrs. Olive Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Johnson and family of Grayling.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schatte entertained Mr. and Mrs. David Grzesick and daughter, Chandra, and Mrs. Michael Dewall and daughter, Juliana, over Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Erb entertained 16 family guests from Posen on Thanksgiving.

Tim Caldwell spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Caldwell, at Three Oaks.

Mr. and Mrs. David Wentz, sons Scott and Kyle, returned to their home in Bowling Green, Ohio after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Spencer.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kinsman enjoyed having their daughter and family from Dearborn with them over Thanksgiving.

The Cheerful Givers Club will meet Thursday evening at the Club Room. Plans will be made for the Christmas party.

Tom Koernke and his fiancée, Miss Celia Lunan, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Koernke. Celia's mother, Mrs. James Lunan, and sister, Cynthia, joined them on Friday to attend the bridal shower honoring Celia, who will become the bride of Tom Koernke on December 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Paquette of Mt. Clemens spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Harwood.

Congratulations to the newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Berg (nee Alverlita Bunker), who were married at the Chapel on Saturday.

Dinner guests at the home of Miss Margaret Douglas on Thanksgiving were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Douglas and family of Traverse City; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Zamoyksi and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Zamoyksi and daughter, Janet, all of Gaylord; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Zamoyksi, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Douglas, Jr., Steve Douglas and fiancée, Deborah Titman, all of Detroit; Mrs. Beulah Moore of Grayling and Jim Douglas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Mead and family of Alpena spent Thanksgiving Day with Mrs. Ruth Caldwell. Mr. and Mrs. John Sova and family of Midland spent the holidays with relatives.

Bill Walker of Detroit spent Thanksgiving with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abbott Walker.

Mr. Jack Maki is a patient at Little Traverse Hospital in Petoskey. He will be happy to hear from his friends.

Mr. Henry Goulette is visiting his daughter and family in Detroit.

Mrs. Violette Richards and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Richards spent Thanksgiving Day with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Richards and family at Freeland.

## Vikings

(Continued from page 1)

pleasant start in the Michigan Huron Shores Conference; but then, one game does not make a season.

We hustled the whole game, and we're not going to give up due to this loss, coach Wolcott said.

Rick Good with 12 points, and Craig Hinkle with 10 were the only Vikings to hit in double figures.

The Blue Devils had three in double figures led by Jerry Sorenson with 18, followed by Walt Plachta and Delton Dowker with 12 each.

It was a clean sweep for the host teams as the Blue Devils took the JV contest 69-46.

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